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**SUPPLEMENT TO REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF TIMELY SUBMITTED
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Dear Sir:

This is a supplement to a request for reconsideration of a timely submitted information disclosure statement in connection with the above-referenced pending United States patent application.

Enclosed herewith please find a Form PTO-1449 Modified on which are listed the English language abstracts of two Japanese publication documents.

Copies of these abstracts were previously submitted with applicant's information disclosure statement dated 21 June 2000. These abstracts were listed as Japanese patent

publications under the heading "Foreign Patent Documents" on the Form PTO-1449 Modified submitted with that information disclosure statement.

The Examiner subsequently refused to consider these Japanese patent publication abstracts on the basis that no copy of the patent was included.

To the knowledge of undersigned counsel for the application, applicants do not have a copy of the Japanese patents of interest.

Accordingly, in response to a suggestion made by the Examiner during a telephone conversation on 28 June 2001, there is submitted herewith a revised Form PTO-1449 Modified having the two Japanese English language patent abstracts listed under the heading "Non-Patent Documents". Copies of the abstracts are not enclosed since those copies were already submitted with the information disclosure statement dated 21 June 2000.

We respectfully request consideration of the two English language abstracts of the two Japanese patent publications and indication of the same by the Examiner initialing and returning a photocopy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 Modified.

Please note that this is not intended as a substantive response to the official action of 29 May 2001. A substantive response to that official action will be submitted in due course.

Applicant's counsel believes that no fee is required in connection with this submission;
to the extent that a fee may be required, please charge the same to deposit account number 50-
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Respectfully submitted,

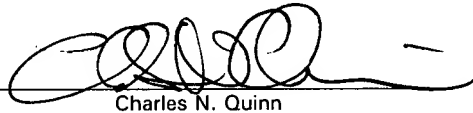


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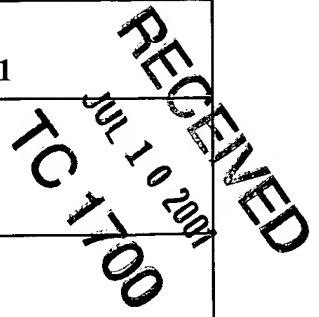
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